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Secret Police Arrest Dissident in Moscow Raids

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MOSCOW—Soviet authorities, in a continuing effort to eliminate dissident information networks, arrested a 50-year-old mathematician in Moscow and raided four apartments of his acquaintances, dissident sources reported.

The sources said agents of the KGB secret police charged Yuri Shikhanovich with anti-Soviet activities after he was arrested at his apartment Thursday and are holding him in Moscow's Lefortovo Prison.

The KGB has accused Shikhan-

ovich, a close friend of banished physicist and Nobel Peace Prize winner Andrei D. Sakharov, of helping to produce the Chronicle of Current Events, the most prominent of several underground journals of human-rights abuses in the Soviet Union.

The Chronicle is a detailed compilation of arrests, trials and information from within the vast system of Soviet labor camps. It has gained a reputation for accuracy after it first appeared in 1968. The journal has been published in the West by Amnesty International.

Married, and the father of one daughter, Shikhanovich worked as an editor of Quantum, a physics journal for youth. He is expected to be charged with violating article 70 of the criminal code, "anti-Soviet agitation," an offense carrying a maximum penalty of seven years in a labor camp and five more in internal exile.

Shikhanovich was accused in the early 1970s of working for the underground chronicle and was imprisoned for a time in a psychiatric

hospital, the sources said.

His arrest follows the sentencing last month of young literary scholar Sergei I. Grigoryants to 10 years in prison, labor camp and internal exile for compiling a related journal of human rights abuses, the Express Information Bulletin "V."

Soviet authorities are attempting to stem the flow of information to the West about human rights abuses and conditions in labor camps and are moving systematically to cut off donations from abroad for the families of political prisoners. Sources said the KGB conducted searches of four additional apartments in Moscow on Thursday, all apparently aimed at uncovering the distribution network for aid from a multi-million-dollar fund sponsored by the exiled writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

Among the apartments reportedly searched were those of Andrei Kistiakovsky, 46, the current administrator of the fund, and Tatyana Lubich, the wife of his predecessor, Sergei Khodorovich.

Khodorovich, 42, was arrested April 7 and is being held in Moscow's Butryki Prison, a holding place for political prisoners since the 18th Century. In October, Solzhenitsyn's wife, Natalya, told the Associated Press that she and her husband had received information that Khodorovich had been repeatedly beaten in prison and that he had been seen on Sept. 30 in the prison hospital with a fractured skull.

Last March, the authorities televised a confession by a participant in the fund, 32-year-old Valery Repin, who maintained that the Solzhenitsyn fund was a front for the American CIA. Repin had spent 15 months in prison under intensive interrogation before his appearance on television in Leningrad. Facing a possible death sentence on treason charges, Repin later received an unusually mild two-year sentence in a labor camp.